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HOGSETT ANNOUNCES THAT JEFFERSONVILLE MAN SENTENCED FOR TRAFFICKING IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

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PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Joseph H. Hogsett, United States Attorney, announced today that Gregory D. Lacey, 38, Jeffersonville, Indiana, was sentenced to 100 months in prison Thursday by U.S. District Judge Sarah E. Barker following his guilty plea to transportation and possession of child pornography.

On October 8, 2010, an Illinois detective working online undercover downloaded several child pornography files from an individual determined to be residing in Indiana. An investigative package was forwarded to investigators in Indiana, and a federal search warrant was obtained and executed on Lacey's residence on December 15, 2010. Lacey was present at the residence and admitted to using file sharing software and possessing child pornography. A large amount of child pornography was found on his computer.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney A. Brant Cook, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Barker also imposed 30 years supervised release following Lacey's release from prison. Lacey was also fined in the amount of \$250,000.

In addition, this charge was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov. This case was the result of a investigation by Homeland Security Investigations, the Hamilton County Metro Child Exploitation Task Force, and the Fishers, Noblesville and Carmel Police Departments.

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